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Northern Va. Region  
Dept. of Env. Quality

Virginia Air Board  
c/o Terry Darton  
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Dear Air Board-

The Mirant Power plant is located near my home and I have always been concerned about the environmental impact the plant has on my air quality. It is great news to hear that the plant is proposing a new plan called the stack merge, which will significantly exceed the current environmental standards established by the Department of Environmental Quality. I hope the Virginia Air Board will now move quickly to approve this plan.

As an invalid confined to my home and my wheelchair, I am very concerned about the availability of adequate power. I know many people are not happy about having a power plant located here, but the power it supplies is essential to all of us. It would be a real hardship for me if my home were to suffer from repeated power outages and I feel it is essential for our growing region to have the Mirant plant stay open.

The best news is that Mirant is willing to fund the \$30 million project entirely. As a 76 year old living on a limited income I can barely afford tax increases. The city has already wasted \$3 million of our taxpayer money fighting the plant's operation. I say, "Enough is Enough." This is not a political issue but an issue of public health. Show you care about air quality and approve the stack merge.

The stack merge is a great solution to a long standing controversy. Please move quickly so that the improvements can be put in place before the high power demand period that will occur this summer. I appreciate your concern for my situation and your attention to this matter.

Thank you for your help,

Emma Anderson